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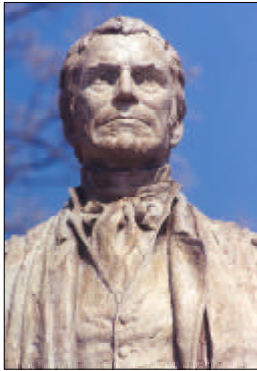
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We Are...Marshall!

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John Marshall Subject of 3-Day Celebration

A three-day celebration marking the 200th anniversary of the appointment of John Marshall as Chief Justice of the United States will be observed by the university Feb. 2-4. An academic conference, *Defining the Nation: Exploring the Impact of the Marshall Court*, will be a principal component of the celebration and will feature noted scholars participating in a variety of events in honor of Marshall, for whom the university was named.



Portraits of John Marshall, together with an exhibition catalog, and educational programming aimed at audiences of all ages.

In addition, as part of the bicentennial activities, MU and the Huntington Museum of Art are presenting a three-month long exhibition, *Face or Justice:*

Over the course of 35 years, Marshall's court came to wield enormous influence in the shaping of the Constitution, the Federal government, and the legal framework within which the nation's economy operates.

The academic conference will feature scholars working on a broad range of political, legal, economic, cultural and social questions related to the early period of American history. In addition to a series of panel presentations with scholarly comment that will run all day Feb. 2, the conference includes a roundtable discussion, *John Marshall 2001*, to take place Feb. 3 from 10 a.m. until noon. Members of the roundtable will be David F. Forte, Professor of Law at Cleveland Marshall College of Law; Kent Newmyer, Professor of Law and History at the University of Con-

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Jo Ann Johnson is Employee of the Month for December

Jo Ann Johnson, supervisor of Teacher Education Clinical Experiences, has been named the Marshall University Employee of the Month for December, according to Jim Stephens, chair of the Employee of the Month Committee.



Jo Ann Johnson

Johnson, a Huntington resident who has been with the university since 1986, was nominated by Dr. Tony L. Williams, assistant chair, School of Education, College of Education and Human Services.

In his nomination, Williams wrote, "Mrs. Johnson is always seeking to improve her training and update her skills by taking 1-3 courses each year...This past year she took a course on 'Working with PowerPoint.' Using the skills gained in this course, she developed a PowerPoint presentation for her student teachers entitled, 'Expectations' which was used at the orientation seminar.

"...She developed a listserv just for her student teachers....(which) 'serves as a wonderful tool for communication....Mrs. Johnson attends at least two professional development conferences each year and continually does research to add to her knowledge base and refine her level of expertise."

Always willing to help students, she didn't let a broken leg stop her, according to Williams. She has long

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Huntington Levies User Fee

Huntington's financial woes will soon be taking a bite out of paychecks for full-time Marshall employees who work in the city of Huntington. However, MU workers will not see the effect until their first February paycheck, due around Valentine's Day, according to Sharon Rutherford, director of Payroll and Sponsored Programs.

The Employees User Fee, passed last month by the Huntington City Council, calls for a \$2 a week fee to be deducted from paychecks for anyone working full-time within the city limits. On July 1, the fee will drop to \$1 a week.

Anyone working outside of Huntington will not be affected, according to Rutherford. But figuring out who should pay the fee is causing a big paperwork headache for Marshall payroll workers.

"The problem for the payroll department is determining who actually works within the city limits," Rutherford says. "We have people who work all over, in South Charleston, Logan, Beckley, Point Pleasant, for example, and these people will not be affected by the new fee. Right now we're working to find out who works just on the Huntington campus."

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Glenwood Series to Honor Memphis Tennessee Garrison

Memphis Tennessee Garrison, the precocious granddaughter of a slave, grew up in McDowell County during the depths of the depression, and later went on to become

a distinguished educator and activist for the advancement of schooling for African American children.

Her life, the subject of a book-length oral history to be published shortly by Ohio University Press, will be discussed by Dr. Ancella Bickley on Feb. 4 as part of the Glenwood Series, sponsored by the Marshall University Graduate College Foundation.

The lecture will begin at 4 p.m. at Glenwood, the Foundation's historic estate located on Charleston's west side. Tickets are \$10 and a reception will follow.

Bickley, who has taught in public schools and at West Virginia University, retired from West Virginia State College after a long career there as a faculty member and administrator. A member of numerous boards and community groups, Bickley serves on the Human Rights Commission and the West Virginia Humanities Council.

Since her retirement she has been active in researching the history of African Americans in West Virginia. Her work includes oral history projects, short stories and plays, and articles which recognize the lives and creative energies of West Virginia black people, both past and present. Bickley says a priority for her is to reinstate the histories which have been left out of textbooks. Currently she is working with Dr. Rita Wicks-Nelson on an oral history project which highlights the experiences of retired black teachers in West Virginia.

The oral history of Garrison is an important one for studying education for blacks in the state, Bickley believes.

"Memphis Garrison was a successful, inspiring and commendable black West Virginia woman who lived most of her life in McDowell County before retiring to Hunting-

ton," she says. "Her efforts contributed to the betterment of the community locally, regionally, nationally and globally."

After her father was killed in a railroad accident, Garrison was raised by her mother who instilled in her a love of reading and learning. An early and avid reader, she would accompany her mother to work in a home which had a library. Her mother would find her surrounded by books, happily reading anything she could find "whether I understood it or not," she would say.

She studied at West Virginia State College, Ohio University and received a bachelor's

degree in 1939 from Bluefield State College, graduating magna cum laude. She taught for 40 years, always working toward gaining educational opportunities for African American children.

She began Parent Teacher Associations at schools where she taught and was the first woman president of the West Virginia State Teachers Association and vice president of the American Teachers Association. Known as a champion for human and civil rights, she organized the first NAACP branches in Southern West Virginia. In 1988, the year of her death, she received the "Governor's Living the Dream Award" which annually honors the citizen who best exemplifies the principles and goals of Martin Luther King.

Organizers of the Glenwood Series say it is intended to present a rich variety of programs which will showcase the talents of artists and scholars from both Marshall University and the community while opening the authentically furnished estate, 1852, to the public. Glenwood is located at 800 Orchard Street. To make reservations, call (304) 746-2072. For additional information about the series, call 746-2038.

Nominations Sought for Women of Color Awards

The Planning Committee for Marshall's Women of Color Day program is seeking nominations for their Women of Color Awards which will be presented at a program on March 6.

Requirements are that nominees should be women of color—African American, Hispanic, Asian or Native Americans who have made significant contributions to Marshall, Huntington, or the Tri-State area communities in promoting diversity and a better understanding of race and gender issues.

Nominations should be sent to the Marshall University Women's Center in Prichard Hall, room 143 by February 1. For additional information, contact Sandra Clements at ext. 2271.

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The next regular issue of *We Are...Marshall!* will carry an issue date of February 9, 2001. Deadline is February 2. Articles or other materials for consideration should be sent to Pat Dickson, editor, at the South Charleston campus or by e-mail to pdickson@marshall.edu.



Card of Thanks

I would like to thank the faculty and administration for the lovely arrangement of flowers which they sent to my father's funeral. This act of thoughtfulness and support from the Marshall Community was greatly appreciated.

Nancy Stump

Jazz@Jomie Arrives This Weekend

The 2001 edition of Marshall's Jazz Festival, which features professional musicians, visiting collegiate and high school jazz ensembles, is underway in the Jamie Jazz Center and the adjoining Joan C. Edwards Playhouse auditorium.

The featured guest artist, Denis DiBlasio, is serving as adjudicator for the ensemble presentations. He and James Olcott, president of the International Trumpet Guild, will offer advice and commentary. Sessions with high school and college groups are scheduled throughout the festival.

The MU Faculty Jazz Ensemble, "Bluetrane" will feature a performance with DiBlasio and Olcott on January 26 at 7:30 p.m. The ensemble performs regularly in the tristate area and has been featured in past Jazz Festivals.

The final concert will take place January 27, at 7:30 p.m. with "LIPPPZ," a big band made up of local professional musicians. The Marshall Jazz Ensemble, which is composed of students, will accompany DiBlasio for the Grand Finale.

Admission to the evening concerts is \$5.00. For additional information, contact Ed Bingham at ext. 2452.

Card of Thanks

To the University Functions Committee:

I deeply appreciate the expression of sympathy sent by Marshall University when my sister died in December. It means a lot to know that I have friends surrounding and supporting me. Becky was my only sibling, and we have been very close through the years. She was a hospice nurse for St. Luke's Home Care in Boise, and they also cared for her after she was diagnosed with terminal ovarian cancer. Your gift to the St. Luke's Foundation will comfort others who are dying and are unable to pay for quality home care. Thank you very much!

Sincerely,
Judy Silver

United Way Nears \$65,000 in Donations

Nearly \$65,000 has been raised by Marshall University employees for this year's combined United Way Campaign, according to Dr. Betty Cleckley, vice president for Multicultural Affairs and International Programs, who coordinated the campaign, which ended January 19.

Through the United Way employees were able to give to various charities of their choice through cash or by payroll deduction. The campaign provides help in a wide variety of areas such as health and the elderly; abuse and neglect; food, clothing and shelter; youth development and childcare; substance abuse; counseling; rehabilitation, and training; information and referral; and education and literacy.

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provided editing and other portfolio assistance for student teachers and while recuperating from the injury, she invited students to bring their portfolios to her home where she worked with them. And she continued to visit schools, in spite of her broken leg.

"Graduate assistants would take turns 'driving Miss Daisy,' as they called it, to transport her to her schools. They would also take along a wheelchair and a video camera to the various classrooms of each school so she could continue to observe her student teachers and help

them in their professional development."

One of her strengths, according to the nomination, is that "she builds bridges of communication and good will for our university by going out to numerous public schools each year (dressed as a story book character) during American Education Week. Reading stories to children, she feels, helps to encourage them to develop a lifetime habit of reading for enjoyment. She speaks at least once each year at a professional conference and



Jo Ann Johnson received her Employee of the Month plaque from President Dan Angel.

proudly represents Marshall University. People notice what is going on at Marshall and she shows how we are continually striving for excellence in our School of Education."

Williams has high praise for her dedication to her job and her student teachers. "She works very hard to try to help each of her student teachers grow to their full potential. She takes many hours of her own time helping them to edit their work and giving them suggestions on how to improve its quality."

In addition to accepting additional responsibility such as willingly serving on committees and organizing staff/faculty events including a family picnic, Williams notes that "Mrs. Johnson has a very good rapport with our staff and faculty here at MU. She works hard at developing a good relationship with those with whom she works...Out in the schools she has a good working relationship with her supervising teachers." She regularly receives glowing evaluations from the student teachers she supervises.

In addition to her duties at Marshall, Johnson also has found time to for many years to sing with the MU Choral Union, works as a volunteer at the Ronald McDonald House, and helps with fundraisers such as rummage sales and the Chilifest.

Johnson was visited by the "Prize Patrol" and was presented a check by President Angel for \$100. She will be eligible for the Employee of the Year Award.

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necticut; Herbert Johnson, Ernest F. Hollings Professor of Constitutional Law at the University of South Carolina; John C. Eastman, Associate Professor and Director of the Center for Constitutional Jurisprudence at the Chapman University School of Law, and Jean Edward Smith, John Marshall Professor of Political Science at MU.

The John Marshall 2001 Roundtable has been accredited by the West Virginia State Bar Association for two hours of mandatory continuing legal education credit. The conference will end with a luncheon at which U.S. Senator Orrin Hatch will present a keynote address.

The Bicentennial Celebration at the Huntington Museum of Art opens February 3 at 7 p.m. with a private reception, catalog presentation and lecture by William H. Gerdts, Professor Emeritus from the Graduate School of Art History of the City University of New York. Sponsored by the university, the exhibit will include nineteenth century oil on canvas portraits of John Marshall as well as engravings, busts, and artifacts from the life of the Chief Justice. The scholarly importance of the exhibit will be enhanced by the accompanying catalog which will feature essays by Smith, Gerdts and David Dearing, Chief Curator of the national Academy of Design, Frederick S. Voss, senior historian at the national Portrait Gallery, and Wendell Garret, Vice President for Americana at Sotheby's. Full color children's and adult gallery guides will be available free to the public visiting the exhibit and an audio tour guide will be delivered through hand-held wands with random access capability. Public opening ceremonies for the *Faces of Justice* exhibit will take place at the museum on February, at 3 p.m.

According to organizers, an important element of the Bicentennial Celebration is the educational programming that the John Marshall Research Center and the Huntington Museum of Art have produced. Five thousand children's gallery guides will be distributed to elementary students in the surrounding counties of Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky before their visit to the exhibition and an additional 5,000 guides, oriented toward the students' actual visit, will be distributed to them at the museum. In addition, 200 copies of *Face of Justice Secondary Education Teachers' Classroom Guide* will be sent to middle and high school social studies and history instructors in the Tri-State area.

The preliminary program of events includes:

February 2 - 9 a.m., registration, Drinko Library Auditorium Foyer; 9:30-10 a.m., welcome remarks by Alan B. Gould, executive director, John Deaver Drinko Academy; President Dan Angel; and Jean Edward Smith, John Marshall Professor of Political Science.; 10-15-11:30, first panel sessions, *Marshall: the Man and His Influence on the South*, in the Drinko Library Auditorium (room 402) chaired by Martha Woodward, Executive Director, John R. Hall Center for Academic Excellence; and *Marshall's Impact on American Economic System*, in the Drinko Library Presentation Room, (room 349), chaired by Robert Alexander, John Deaver Drinko Fellow.

The second group of panel presentations will run from 1:30-2:45 and will include Diane Hammons, Office of the Chief of the Cherokee Nation, chairing *The Marshall Court*

and *Native American Issues* in the Drinko Library Auditorium (room 402); and Robert Behrman, professor of Political Science, who will chair *The Marshall Court and the "Rights of Man"*, in room 349 of the Drinko Library.

February 3 - Activities for the Roundtable Discussion will get underway with registration in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse lobby from 9:30-10 a.m. The program will run from 10 a.m. to noon in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse. Participating will be Alan B. Gould, who will give the welcome; William E. Willis, Esq., Moderator; Scholars, Jean Edward Smith, John C. Eastman, David Forte, Herbert A. Johnson, and Kent Newmyer; and Judges Robert B. King, Charles H. Haden, Joseph R. Goodwin, Robert C. Chambers, Warren R. McGraw, Robin Jean Davis, O.C. Spaulding, Irene C. Berger, and Dan O'Hanlon.

The luncheon will take place from 12 to 2 p.m. in the Frances Booth Experimental Theater with Senator Orrin Hatch of Utah delivering the keynote address.

February 4 - The conference events will conclude with the public reception and opening of the John Marshall exhibit at the museum on February 4, beginning at 3 p.m.

For additional information, contact the Drinko Academy at ext. 3183.

Huntington User Fee

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Employees should already have received a form asking them to designate the location in which they work. The deadline for returning the forms is February 1. They should be sent to the Payroll Office at 205 Old Main.

And only full-time employees will be affected. "You have to work at least 25 hours a week for it to be deducted," she says. "That eliminates part-time faculty, students, graduate assistants and much of our extra help."

Although the fee took effect January 1, it's actually reported quarterly, she notes. Because of the complexity of determining the status of Huntington based employees, MU officials decided to make the first deductions beginning with the February payroll.

"Normally the fee would amount to \$4.33 per paycheck. But since we will have to make up for January, we'll take out about \$5 from each check through June," according to Rutherford. "Basically each employee is being assessed \$50 through June so we'll divide that amount by the number of pay periods. In July it will drop down to about \$2.16 per pay."

The fees don't round out to even amounts because Marshall employees are paid twice a month rather than weekly or semi-weekly. "The 33 cents covers the extra days that don't fall into a week," she explains. "It ends up the same amount for everyone for the whole year. We just have to calculate what that amount will be for the first and second quarter and deduct that amount."

"The user fee is being challenged in City Council...and may be repealed. I expect we will look at it again before we begin deductions on February 1. Nothing is certain right now, but we will proceed as carefully as possible," Rutherford said.

The fee was passed by the City Council to help eliminate a budget shortfall. The ordinance can be seen on the Huntington's World Wide Web site, www.cityofhuntington.com.